IMO. What is the matter, trow ?
IACB. The cloyed will[8]
(That satiate yet unsatisfied desire, that tub

the present mistress of Posthumus, and proceeds to say, that appetite too would give the same suffrage. *Desire,* says he, when it approached *sluttery,* and considered it in comparison with *such neat excellence,* would not only be *not so allured to feed,* but, seized with a fit of loathing, *would vomit emptiness,* would feel the convulsions of disgust, though., being unfed, it had no object.
JOHNSON.

Dr. Warburton and Dr. Johnson have both taken the pains to give their different senses of this passage; but I am still unable to comprehend how *desire,* or any other thing, can be made to *vomit emptiness.* I rather believe the passage should be read thus ; " Slutteryto such neat excellence oppos'd, " Should make desire vomit, emptiness " Not so *allure* to feed."
That is, Should *not so,* [in such circumstances] *allure* [even] *emptiness to feed.* TYRWHITT.

This is not ill conceived ; but I think my own explanation rights " To vomit emptiness " is, in the language of poetry, * to feel the convulsions of eructation without plenitude.' JOHNSON".

No one who has been ever sick at sea, can be at a loss to understand what is meant by *vomiting emptiness.* Dr. Johnson's interpretation would perhaps be more exact, if after the word *desire* he had added, *however hungry, or sharp set.*

A late editor, Mr. Capell, was so little acquainted with his author, as not to know that Shakspeare here, and in some other places, uses *desire* as a trisyllable ; in consequence of which, he reads —"vomit *to* emptiness." MALONE.

The indelicacy of this passage may be kept in countenance by the following lines and stage-directions in the tragedy of All for Money, by T. Lupton, 1578 :

" Now will I essay to *vomit* if I can ;
" Let him hold your head, and I will hold your stomach," &c»
" Here Money shall make as though he would *vomit.*" Again:
" Here Pleasure shall make as though he would *vomit.*"
STEEVENS,

[8] The cloyed will, &c.] The present irregularity of metre has almost persuaded me that this passage originally stood thus :

"---------The cloyed will,
" (That's satiate, yet unsatisfied, that tub
** Both fill'd and running,) ravening first the lamb,
[64] Longs after for the garbage.
" What, dear sir/'
&c.